

# ANNUAL REPORTS

of the town of

# NEWINGTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For The Year Ending December 31

# 1947

As Compiled By The Town Officers



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of the

Selectmen, Treasurer, Highway Agent, Auditors,

Board of Education, Library Trustees,

Trustees of Town Trust Funds

and Town Clerk

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**TOWN OFFICERS**

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**Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor**

Wilfred E. Brooks   Albert E. Hodgdon   Myles S. Watson

**Treasurer**

Hattie M. Greenough

**Town Clerk**

John F. Hoyt

**Collector of Taxes**

Florence V. Pease

**Highway Agent**

James A. deRochemont

**Supt. of Burying Ground**

J. Manning Hoyt

**Auditors**

Charles W. Coleman

Leavitt E. Moulton

**Library Trustees**

Hettie deRochemont   Edith E. Knox   Florence C. Watson

**Trustees of Town Trust Fund**

Ralph Loomis   Arthur Schurman   James H. Coleman

## TOWN WARRANT

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### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L. S.)

To the inhabitants of the Town of Newington in the County of Rockingham and said State, qualified to vote in town affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next at twelve of the clock noon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose in the manner provided by law, a town clerk ; one selectman to hold office for three years ; assessors of taxes ; overseers of the poor ; a town treasurer ; a collector of taxes ; a superintendent of burying grounds ; auditors ; highway agent ; a library trustee, to hold office for three years ; a trustee of town trust funds to hold office for three years.

2. To choose measurers of wood ; surveyors of lumber ; fence viewers ; a pound keeper ; constables ; police officers and all necessary town officers.

3. To hear the report of the budget committee, and act thereon.

4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for all town expenditures for the year ensuing (as included in the budget.)

5. To see what disposition the town will vote to make of the town land and buildings.

6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to administer, or to dispose of, any real estate acquired or to be acquired, by the town through tax collector's deeds.

7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire money on the credit of the town, in anticipation of taxes; and to fix the rate of interest.

8. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount of five percent on 1948 property taxes paid on or before the first day of October, 1948.

9. To see if the town will vote to turn over the care, management, upkeep and preservation of the Olde Parsonage, so-called, to the Newington Historical Society for a museum, and to authorize and direct the selectmen to lease the land and buildings known as the Olde Parsonage to the Newington Historical Society for a term of fifty years at an annual rental of One Dollar; the lease to contain a provision that all moneys or gifts from donations or paid admissions shall be held by the Society and used for the management, preservation and perpetuation of the property.

10. To see if the town will vote to put a limit of one peck per tide for the digging of clams.

11. To see if the town will vote to rescind its vote to adopt the provisions of the Municipal Budget Law.

12. To transact such other business as legally may come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine-hundred and forty-eight.

WILFRED E. BROOKS,  
ALBERT E. HODGDON,  
MYLES S. WATSON,

Selectmen of Newington.

A true copy of Warrant, Attest :

WILFRED E. BROOKS,  
ALBERT E. HODGDON,  
MYLES S. WATSON,

Selectmen of Newington.

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Newington, New Hampshire, March 9, 1948

We hereby certify that on the nineteenth day of February last, we posted a true and attested copy of the within warrant at the place of meeting, within specified, and a like copy at the Meeting House, a public place in said town.

WILFRED E. BROOKS,  
ALBERT E. HODGDON,  
MYLES S. WATSON,

Selectmen of Newington.

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON

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Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing  
Year, January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948  
Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue,  
Appropriation and Expenditures of the Previous Year  
January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

### SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1947	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1948
<b>From State:</b>		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,954.19	\$1,954.19
Railroad Tax	175.02	175.02
Savings Bank Tax	216.35	216.35
For Fighting Forest Fires	16.50	16.50
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>		
Rent of Town Hall and Other Bldgs.	43.75	43.75
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
Water Departments	20.00	20.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,701.50	1,500.00
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Total Revenues from All Sources		
Except Property Taxes	\$4,127.31	\$3,925.81
*Amt. To be Raised by Property Taxes		\$24,487.26
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Total Revenues	\$4,127.31	\$3,925.81

## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1947	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1948
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>		
<b>General Government:</b>		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$391.00	\$391.00
Town Officers' Expenses	420.95	420.95
Election and Reg. Expenses	18.00	80.00
Exp. Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	581.15	700..00
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>		
Police Department	12.00	12.00
Fire Department	253.65	250.00
Insurance	324.25	25.00
<b>Health:</b>		
Health Dept., including hospitals	6.00	6.00
Vital Statistics	13.00	13.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>		
Town Maintenance, Summer	3,272.99	5,000.00
Town Maintenance, Winter	1,573.40	2,500.00
Gen. Exp. Highway Dept.	13.75	250.00
Town Road Aid	254.49	225.35
<b>Libraries:</b>		
Libraries	175.00	175.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>		
Town Poor	858.27	600.00
Old Age Assistance	1,027.23	1,000.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>		
Memorial Day and Vet. Asso.	10.00	20.00

**Public Service Enterprises:**

Municipally owned Water and		
Electric Utilities	700.67	300.00
Cemeteries	50.00	

**Unclassified:**

Advertising and Reg. Asso.	44.00	44.00
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**Interest:**

On Temporary Loans	286.00	286.00
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**Payments to Other Governmental Div.:**

County Taxes	2,819.24	2,819.24
Payments to School Districts	9,691.18	9,645.53
Heating System for School		3,650.00
Total Expenditures	\$22,796.22	\$28,413.07

Signed by:

JOHN E. HOLDEN	WILFRED E. BROOKS
F. M. PICKERING	RICHARD B. MacFARLAND
RALPH L. LOOMIS	REGINALD P. KENNARD
JANET B. DUNWOODY	

## SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

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Land and Buildings	\$440,525.00
Growing Wood and Timber	5,600.00
Electric Plants	35,530.96
24 Horses	2,900.00
2 Ponies	100.00
5 Hogs	125.00
28 Sheep	224.00
166 Cows	15,350.00
32 Neat Stock	1,600.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	125,045.00
Stock in Trade	179,750.00
Mills and Machinery	6,100.00
3 Boats and Launches	1,300.00
2,010 Fowls	2,010.00
Wood and Lumber	200.00
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Total Valuation	\$816,359.96
222 Polls @ \$2	444.00
National Bank Stock	17.50
Amount Exempted Soldiers	30,120.00
Average Rate Per Cent Taxation	
for all purposes per \$100 valuation	2.24
Amount of Taxes committed to Collector	\$19,113.06

## FINANCIAL REPORT

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### ASSETS

Cash in hands of Treasurer	\$282.74
Due From Tax Levy 1947	4,090.72
Due from Tax Levy 1946	431.06
Due from Tax Levy of Previous Year	302.18
Due from S. H. Department 1947	196.02
Due from City of Portsmouth	506.40
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Total Assets	\$5,809.12
Excess of Liabilities (Net Debt)	1,358.29
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	\$7,167.41

### LIABILITIES

Due School District, bal. of approp.	\$4,815.51
Due School District, dog license	151.90
Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	
Edith Frink	2,000.00
Demeritt Fund	200.00
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	\$7,167.41

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Town Hall Land and Buildings	\$2,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	300.00
Library Land and Building	4,300.00
Furniture, Books and Equipment	2,500.00
Highway Department,	
Land and Building	1,000.00
Tractor and Plow	2,000.00
Water System	1,500.00
Parks	1,500.00
Church Land and Building	2,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	300.00
Wood Lot	8,000.00
Old Parsonage	600.00
School House	22,500.00
Land and Buildings, acquired by tax deeds	250.00
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	\$49,750.00

## INSURANCE ON TOWN PROPERTY

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Policy for \$2,800 on Town Hall and contents expires January 1, 1950.

Policy for \$2,500.00 on Church and Organ expires January 1, 1950.

Policy for \$4,500.00 on Library and Books expires March 15, 1950.

Policy for \$500.00 on Old Parsonage expires March 15, 1948.

Policy for \$300.00 on Tractor expires April 7, 1948.

Policy for \$500.00 on Garage expires April 7, 1948.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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### DOG ACCOUNT RECEIPTS

No. Licenses Issued		
69 Males @ \$2.00	\$138.00	
10 females @ \$5.00	50.00	
3 kennel @ \$12.00	36.00	
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Total Receipts		\$224.00

### EXPENSES

82 Licenses Issued @ .20	\$16.40	
Postage and Stationery	6.70	
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		\$23.10
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Amount paid to Town		\$200.90

### AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION PERMIT FEE ACCT. RECEIPTS

Total Number Permits Issued — 285	
Total Receipts from Permits issued from Jan. 1, 1947 to Dec. 31, 1947	\$1,710.79

### EXPENSES

'46 Auto-Guide Book	\$4.50	
'47 Auto-Guide Book	4.50	
Postage	.29	
Total Expenses		\$9.29
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Amount paid to Town		\$1,701.50

Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN F. HOYT,  
Town Clerk.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1947	\$219.40
Railroad Tax	175.02
Savings Bank Tax	216.35
Interest and Dividends Tax	1,954.19
N. H. Nat. Bank Note in anticipation of taxes	8,000.00
Ralph G. Coleman, Rent of Town Hall	42.75
N. H. S. Rent Ye Olde Parsonage	1.00
Forestry Refund	16.50
Coleman Brothers, Water Supply 1943	15.00
John F. Hoyt, Water Supply 1947	5.00
John F. Hoyt, Town Clerk Auto Registrations 1947	1,701.50
John F. Hoyt, Dog Licenses 1947	197.30
John F. Hoyt, Town Clerk, Dog Licenses 1946	3.60
Seth Gardner, Refund for Elias Peck 1947	158.57
Florence V. Pease, Collector of Taxes Levy and Int.	
Levy 1944, \$15.98 and \$3.60	19.58
Levy 1945, \$571.70 and \$53.06	624.76
Levy 1946, \$3,254.30 and \$112.06	3,366.36
Levy 1947, \$14,721.30 and \$2.97	14,724.27
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	\$31,441.15

## PAYMENTS

Orders from Selectmen	\$31,158.41
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1947	282.74
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	\$31,441.15

HATTIE M. GREENOUGH,  
Town Treasurer.

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We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing  
accounts of the Town Treasurer and find them correctly cast  
and properly vouched.

CHARLES W. COLEMAN,  
LEAVITT E. MOULTON,  
Auditors.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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December 31, 1947

Levy Property Taxes 1947	\$19,113.06	
Poll Taxes 1947	440.00	
Interest collected 1947	2.97	
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Taxes committed to tax collector, 1947	19,556.03	
Less discounts	727.04	
Less abatements	14.00	
Less uncollected	4,090.72	
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Property taxes collected 1947	14,435.80	
Poll taxes collected 1947	268.00	
Bank Stocks 1947	17.50	
Interest collected 1947	2.97	
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Total paid Treasurer		\$14,724.27

December 31, 1947

Year 1947		
Levy 1946	\$3,994.23	
Interest 1946	112.06	
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Property Taxes collected 1946	3,186.30	
Poll Taxes collected 1946	68.00	
Interest 1946	112.06	

Uncollected property taxes 1946	357.06	
Uncollected poll taxes 1946	74.00	
Unredeemed property taxes 1946	308.87	
	<hr/>	\$4,106.29

Redemptions 1945 - 1946	\$204.51	
Taxes collected previous year	587.58	
Int. collected previous years	56.66	
	<hr/>	\$644.24

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE V. PEASE,

Tax Collector.

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### SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

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Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1947	\$219.40	
State Treasurer	2,362.06	
Dog Licenses, 1947	200.90	
Auto Registration 1947	1,701.50	
Rent of Town Buildings	43.75	
Sale of Water, 1947	20.00	
N. H. National Bank,		
Temporary Loans	8,000.00	
Tax Collector	18,734.97	
Refund Check No. 6428	158.57	
	<hr/>	\$31,441.15

## SUMMARY OF ALL PAYMENTS

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### **General Government:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$391.00
Town Officers' Expenses	420.95
Election and Registration	18.00
Town Hall and Church Expenses	581.15

### **Protection of Persons and Property:**

Fire Department	253.65
Insurance	324.25
Police	12.00
Damage by Dogs	49.00

### **Health and Sanitation:**

Vital Statistics	13.00
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### **Health Department:**

Health Department	6.00
Parks	44.00

### **Education:**

Libraries	175.00
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### **Charities:**

Town Poor	858.27
Old Age Assistance	1,027.23

### **Public Service Enterprise:**

Water System	700.67
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### **Unclassified:**

Cemetery	50.00
G. A. R.	10.00
Interest	286.00
Indebtedness, Temporary Loans	8,000.00
Taxes bought by Town	313.19

**Payments to Other Governmental Div.:**

To State	30.00
To County	2,819.24
To School District	9,691.18

**Highways and Bridges:**

T. R. A. State of New Hampshire	
Town Share	224.49
Town Maintenance	4,846.39
General Expense Highway Dept.	13.75

Total of all Payments	31,158.41	
Cash on hand December 31, 1947		282.74
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		\$31,441.15

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

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### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

John F. Hoyt, Town Clerk	\$50.00
Florence V. Pease, Tax Collector	100.00
Hattie M. Greenough, Treasurer	50.00
Albert E. Hodgdon, Selectman	50.00
J. Manning Hoyt, Supt. of Burying Ground	10.00
Charles W. Coleman, Auditor	3.00
Leavitt Moulton, Auditor	3.00
Wilfred E. Brooks, Selectman	75.00
Myles S. Watson, Selectman	50.00
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	\$391..00

### TOWN HALL AND CHURCH

N. H. Gas and Electric Co.	\$62.37
N. E. Tel. and Tel., Telephone	17.65
Harold Frink and Others, Hauling Sawing Housing wood	96.00
Kenneth Pickering, Sexton	55.50
Percy de Rochemont, labor and stock	110.19
J. Manning, labor and mat	4.00
James W. Coleman, labor at hall	8.40
Margesons, material at T. Hall	76.50
Edgar Hunter, Sexton at Church	10.00
Nathaniel Coleman, labor at hall	85.79
Ralph Coleman, cut grass	6.00
John Hoagland, cutting wood	48.75
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	\$581.15

## TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

George J. Davis, printing ballots	3.50
Hamp. Pub. Company, printing	
town reports	126.00
Kennards Agency Inc., bonding officers	77.25
Edson C. Eastman, tax books	26.61
Strawberry Bank Print Shop, tax slips	28.25
Assessors Association, dues	2.00
Wilfred E. Brooks, assessors meeting, tel.	8.80
Myles S. Watson, tax meeting	8.70
John W. Green, records	16.20
Florence V. Pease, tax sale and postage	23.00
Albert E. Hodgdon, postage	3.00
Hattie M. Greenough, postage	5.00
John F. Hoyt, auto permits	90.50
Brown and Saltmarsh	1.44
Frank B. Nay	.70

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\$420.95

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Joseph E. Leavitt, supervisor	5.00
J. Manning Hoyt, moderator	3.00
Charles W. Coleman, supervisor	5.00
James W. Coleman, supervisor	5.00

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\$18.00

## UNCLASSIFIED

G. A. R.	\$10.00
Taxes bought by Town	313.19
Damage by dogs	49.00
Park	44.00
Cemetery	50.00

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\$456.19

## LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$175.00
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## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY FIRE

Wilfred Brooks, forest fire	53.65	
John Holden, Fire dept.	200.00	
		\$253.65

## POLICE

A. Edgar Hodgdon, Jr., Police duty	12.00	
		\$12.00

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Edgar Hodgdon, Health Officer	6.00	
John F. Hoyt, Vital Statistics	13.00	
		\$19.00

## PUBLIC WELFARE

Town Poor	\$858.27	
State of New Hampshire, Old Age Assistance	1,027.23	
		\$1,885.50

## INTEREST

N. H. Nat'l. Bank Note	\$220.00	
Edith Frink, note	60.00	
Ralph Loomis, Demeritt Fund	6.00	
		\$286.00

## INSURANCE

Policy Tractor and Shed and	
Old Parsonage	\$17.75
Policy on Library	62.50
Policy on Town Hall and Church	94.00
Policy on Fire department	150.00
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	\$324.25

## WATER SYSTEM

N. H. Gas and Electric Co., current	\$41.00
Albert F. Comoa, labor	59.00
Walter H. Forrest, stock and labor	28.16
Ralph Coleman, caretaker	26.00
John Ifalla Construction Co.	260.75
Portsmouth Hardware Co., pump	119.48
Ralph Brooks, plumbing	64.29
Wilfred E. Brooks, labor	34.00
Walter Pickering, Jr., labor	5.05
Kenneth E. Pickering, labor on pipe	23.99
Percy deRochemont, labor and mat	38.95
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	\$700.67

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Payment To Agents — Itemized In Agent's Report	
J. Archie deRochemont	\$4,654.40
George W. Allard	122.90
O. F. Winslow Co., Inc.	66.09
J. Manning Hoyt	3.00
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	\$4,846.39
General Expenses	
Batchelder Oil Company	\$13.75

## INDEBTEDNESS

N. H. Nat. Bank, Loans	
in Anticipation of Taxes	\$8,000.00

## PAYMENT TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

State Treas., Road Aid	\$224.49
State Treas., Special Poll	30.00
County Treas., County Tax	2,819.24
Hattie M. Greenough, School Appro.	9,455.70
Hattie M. Greenough, Dog Licenses	235.48
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Total Payments	\$31,158.41

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We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

LEAVITT MOULTON,  
CHARLES W. COLEMAN,

Auditors.

## REPORT OF ROAD AGENT 1947

J. Archie deRochemont

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### SUMMER ROAD WORK

J. Archie deRochemont,	
truck, shovel, road grader	\$1,971.10
James Coleman, Jr., trucking	360.00
Donald Beals, trucking	104.00
Philip Primmerman, trucking	100.00
George Allard, labor	149.90
Edgar Hunter, labor	129.00
J. Archie deRochemont, Jr., labor	65.40
Walter Pickering, Jr., labor	31.20
Kenneth Pickering, labor	14.40
Daniel Mahoney, labor	4.80
Leon Pickering, Labor	3.60
James Coffey, labor	2.40
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	\$2,935.80

### GENERAL EXPENSES

Donald Beals, labor on tractor	\$39.50
Chester Ripley, welding	17.50
Walter Jackson	12.93
Ida Blane, stone dust	6.00
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	\$75.93

### PATCHING ROADS

Donald Beals, truck	\$64.00
J. Archie deRochemont, truck, gravel	25.00
Richard Spinney, labor	19.20
J. Archie deRochemont, Jr., labor	14.40
Walter Pickering, Jr., labor	4.80
Daniel Mahoney, labor	2.40
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	\$129.80

## SNOW REMOVAL AND SANDING

J. Archie deRochemont, plowing	\$1,143.00	
Andrew Anderson, labor	187.30	
Edgar Hunter, labor	102.20	
James Coleman, Jr., labor	51.50	
J. Archie deRochemont, Jr., labor	45.80	
James Coffey, labor	2.50	
Kenneth Pickering, labor	1.50	
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		\$1,533.80

## REMOVING SNOW FENCE

Fred Spinney, truck	\$40.00	
Richard Spinney, labor	14.25	
James Simpson, labor	14.25	
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		\$68.50

## ERECTING SNOW FENCE

James Coleman, Jr., truck	\$45.00	
Edgar Hunter, labor	14.40	
J. Archie deRochemont, Jr., labor	14.40	
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		\$73.80

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

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From Selectmen, Interest on Demeritt Fund @ 3%	\$0.00
From Portsmouth Savings Bank, Interest @2%	
Demeritt Fund	3.82
Caldwell Fund	5.73
Hannah P. Newton Fund	3.39
Mary E. Frink Fund	1.60
Elizabeth C. Pickering Fund	13.45
Fred L. Ham Fund	2.09
Lydia A. Staples Fund	21.86
Mary S. Hoyt Fund	1.02
Gertrude Frost Fund	1.02
John L. Trefethen Fund	4.20
Ruby S. Frink, Fund	2.05
Horace W. Pearson Fund	6.34
Louis B. Paquin Fund	1.02
Rosamond W. Packard Fund	4.32
Langdon Library Funds	126.00
From Portsmouth Trust and Guarantee Co. @ 2%	
Charles A. Garland Fund	6.15
Priscilla Lewis Fund	2.49
Elizabeth Yeaton Fund	2.05
Isaac F. Jenness Fund	1.06
John A. Hodgdon Fund	1.11
Ann B. Greenough Fund	2.60
Martin Hoyt Fund	2.49
Albert C. Pickering Fund	2.21
William C. Garland Fund	.99
Joseph O. Shaw Fund	1.04
Ira W. Whidden	6.17

Elizabeth Whidden Fund	6.15
Clarence A. Nutter Fund	2.07
Benjamin S. Hoyt Fund	2.17
James Drew Fund	2.13
Daniel Paul	3.34
Louis D. Leo Fund	2.05
Isaiah Allard Fund	4.22
Josephine Downing Fund	4.38
Mary Hilton Nelson Fund	3.16
Lieut. Thomas Trickey Fund	2.03
Unit. - Cong. Church Trust Fund	14.01
From Piscataqua Savings Bank	
Unit. - Cong. Church Trust Fund	14.01
Langdon Library Funds	430.95
From Government Bonds	214.37
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	\$931.41

#### Expenditures

Paid to Church Treasurer	\$26.52
Paid to Supt. of Cemetery (2 yrs.)	81.50
Paid to Library Trustees	614.21
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	\$722.23

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#### DEMANDS IN FAVOR OF TOWN

Demeritt Fund, held by town	\$200.00
Demeritt Fund in Ports. Savings Bank	194.41
Caldwell Fund	291.33
Hannah P. Newton Fund	172.65
Mary E. Frink Fund	81.66
Elizabeth C. Pickering Fund	682.93

Fred L. Ham Fund	106.74
Lydia A. Staples Fund	1,109.89
Mary S. B. Hoyt Fund	52.20
Gertrude Frost Fund	52.03
John S. Tre. ethen Fund	213.67
Ruby S. Frink Fund	104.08
Horace W. Pearson Fund	322.31
Louis B. Paquin Fund	52.22
Rosamond M. Packard Fund	220.14
Elizabeth Whidden Fund	312.26
Ira W. Whidden Fund	313.29
Charles A. Garland Fund	312.64
Priscilla Lewis Fund	126.63
Elizabeth Yeaton Fund	104.08
Isaac F. Jeness Fund	54.47
John A. Hodgdon Fund	56.71
Ann B. Greenough Fund	132.44
Martin Hoyt Fund	127.19
Albert C. Pickering Fund	112.56
William C. Garland Fund	50.83
Joseph O. Shaw Fund	53.16
Clarence A. Nutter Fund	106.01
Benjamin S. Hoyt Fund	110.99
James Drew Fund	108.34
Dan'el Paul Fund	170.21
Louis De Leo Fund	104.08
Josephine Downing Fund	222.41
Mary Hilton Nelson Fund	160.69
Isaiah Allard Fund	214.74
Lieut. Thomas Trickey Fund	103.38
Unit. - Cong. Church Fund, Bk., 17135	697.91
Unit. - Cong. Church Fund, Bk., 20665	703.20
Langdon Library Funds	
In Ports. Savings Bank, Bk., B-78206	505.00
In Ports. Savings Bank, Bk., B-82202	5,050.00

In Ports. Savings Bank, Bk., B-68595	505.00
In Ports. Savings Bank, Bk., B69616	303.00
In Ports. Trust and Guarantee Co., Bk., 36367	505.00
In Ports. Trust and Guarantee Co., Bk., 14644	505.00
In Ports. Trust and Guarantee Co., Bk., 38422	15,150.00
Safe Deposit, Gov't. Bonds $2\frac{3}{4}$ and $2\frac{7}{8}\%$	8,600.00
Safe Deposit, Gov't. Bonds G Series	1,100.00
Safe Deposit, B and O Bond	500.00
In Piscataqua Savings Bank, Bk., 52741	5,050.00
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	\$46,087.48

### Trustees of Town Trust Fund

Ralph Loomis    Arthur Schurman    Mrs. Janet Dunwoody

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We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Trustees of Trust Fund and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES W. COLEMAN,  
LEAVITT E. MOULTON,

Auditors.

## LIBRARY REPORT

January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

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### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

#### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1947	\$466.62
On deposit Piscataqua Savings Bank January 1, 1947	\$138.20
Annual Town Assessment 1947	60.00
Required State Tax 1947	15.00
Town Appropriation 1947	100.00
Received of Trustees of Trust Funds :	
Interest on B and O Bond	55.84
Interest on Langdon Legacies and Webster Fund	558.37
Book refund	9.00
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	\$1,403.03

#### EXPENDITURES

Librarian's Salary	\$350.00
Electricity	18.39
Wood	68.00
Books	124.51
Magazines	90.74
Janitor Service	30.00
Help	11.00
Book pockets, desk supplies and typewriter repairs	7.90
Service charge on checking account	2.25
Cash on hand December 31, 1947	550.29
On deposit in Piscataqua Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1947	138.20
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	\$1,403.03

## SERVICE

Number of magazines currently received	21
Number volumes juvenile non-fiction loaned	636
Number volumes Jr. fiction loaned	566
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	1,202
Number volumes adult non-fiction loaned	2,520
Number volumes adult fiction loaned	1,245
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	3,765
Periodicals	1,562
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Total circulation for year 1947	6,529

EDITH E. KNOX,  
FLORENCE C. WATSON,  
HETTY W. deROCHEMONT,  
Library Trustees

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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To the Trustees of the Langdon Public Library, Gifts:

Collection of books from the following:

Mrs. Ella S. Bowles	Miss Maisie Burpee
L. M. Crosbie	Mrs. Kingsland Dunwoody
Deaconess Elwynn	Miss Lucy E. Jackson
Miss Gwendolyn Jones	Mrs. Mary C. Langley
Mrs. Ralph Loomis	Miss Joan Mally
Mrs. Richman S. Margeson	Miss Edith M. McKenzie
Pastor John E. Nelson	Miss Frances E. Robinson
Miss Marcia M. Sanders	Mrs. Evert O. Smith
	Miss Doris E. Tyrrell

Authors

State Reports

We extend our thanks to Doris Beane for her thoughtfulness in securing a collection of books, magazines and other helps.

Some are replacements of much loved books, some duplicated, other popular books of the day.

To all who have been interested in our Library we thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

HATTIE M. GREENOUGH, Librarian

## SUPPLEMENT TO CATALOGUE

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### 500

Craig, G. S., Science Plans for Tomorrow	500-C8441S
Craig, G. S., Going Forward with Science	500-C8441g
Craig, G. S., New Sides in Science	500-C8441n
Craig, G. S., Working with Science	500-C8441w
Craig, G. S., Exploring in Science	500-C88441e
Craig, G. S. Science Every Day	500-C8441ev
Craig G. S., Science Through the Year	500-C8441t
Craig, G. S., Science All About Us	500-C8441sc

### 600

Carpenter, R. G., Fishes of New Hampshire	639-C227f
Pearson and Harper, The World's Hunger	664-H232w

### 700

Edited by Craven Thomas, Cartoon Cavalcade	741-C8551c
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### 900

Edited by

Rothe, Anna, Current Biography (1944)	B-R7421b
Rothe, Anna, Current Biography, (1945)	B-R7421b
Rothe, Anna, Current Biography (1946)	B-R7421b
Finletter, G., From the Top of the Stairs	B-F1891f
Purdie, C. L., He Heard America Sing. Story of Stephen Foster	B-F817h
W. P. A. A Guide to the Granite State	917-Ad65n
Crane, C. E., Let Me Show You Vermont	917.43-C85v
Hasenpus, N. J., We Summer in Maine	917.41-H272w
Mitchell, Dorothy, Along the Maine Coast	917.41-M692
Marlowe, G. F., Coaching Roads in Old New England	917-4-M3441c
Mitchell, E. V., It's An Old New England Custom	917.4-M6921i
Poole, Ernest, The Great Hills of New Hampshire	917.42-P8711g
Thorbecke, Ellen, Promised Land	933-T39p
Busch, N. F., Lost Continent	940.53-B961
Mauldin Bill, Up Front	950.53-M4431u
Peattee, D. C., Immortal Village	944.9-P3291i
Hindus, Maurice, The Cossacks, Story of a Warrior People	947-H588c
Laserson, M. M., Russia and the Western World	947-L334r

Chase, M. E., New England	974-C3861n
Mussy, Barrows, Old New England	974-M976o
Dept. of N. H., Laws of the State	974.2
Dept. of State N. H., Manual of the General Court	974.2-M451No. 130
Paul, Eliot, Linden on the Saugus Branch	974.4P28w

#### FICTION

1 Asch Sholem, East River	As23e
Buck, M., David Copperfield Younger	D555d
Breslin, Howard, Tamarack Tree	B7541t
Farjeson, Jefferson, Aunt Sunday Takes Command	F2281a
Friedman, B. and W., Mrs. Mike	F875m
Gould, John, The Farmer Takes a Wife	G733f
Gould, Ralph, Yankee Storekeeper	G736y
Gould, Ralph, Yankee Drummer	G736d
Hudson, J. W., Abbe Pierre's People	H8681a
Kyne, P. B., The Enchanted Hill	K9191e
Lewis, Sinclair, Cass Timberlane	L588c
Lincoln, J. C., Out of the Fog	L638o
Mitchell, G. P., An Adventure with Chance	M6931a
Moore, Ruth, Spoonhandle	M786s
Edited Omnebook, Heart of Ten Great Books	Om5h
Roy Gabrielle, The Tin Flute	R812t
Wakeman, F., The Hucksters	W138h

#### CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Adshead, Gladys, Story of a Little Seal
Bailey, C. S., Country Stop
Bishop, C. H., Five Chinese Brothers
Blackstop, Josephine, Wings for the Nikias (Greece)
Bronson, W. S., Chisel-Tooth Tribe (Beavers)
Carmack, M., Wind of the Vikings
Carroll, R. and L., Flight of the Silver Bird
Crespi, P., Manuelits of Costa Rica
D'Aulaire, I., East of the Sun and West of the Moon
Edgar Parin, Children of the Northern Lights
Enright, Elizabeth, Thimble Summer
Finger, C. J., A Dog at His Heels
Finger, C. J., Give a Man a Horse
Gall and Crew, Flat Tail (Beaver)
Gall and Crew, Ring Tail (Raccoon)
Gibson, Katharine, Jack's Castle
Gray, E. J., Jane Hope
Hamsun, Marie, A. Norwegian Farm

Hutchinson, V. S., Fireside Stories  
 Kjellagard, Jim, Forest Patrols  
 Knipe, E. B. and A. A., The Lucky Sixpence  
 Kummer, F. A., Courage over the Andes  
 Linderman, F. B., Indian Why Stories  
 Marshall, Dean, Long White Month  
 McCullough, Robert, Polly Kent Rides West  
 McIntyre, Flora, Children of the Golden Queen  
 Miller, O. B., Heroes, Outlaws and Funny Fellows  
 Newell, Hope, Steppin and Family  
 O'Brien, Jack, Corporal Corey, Royal Canadian Mounted  
 O'Brien, Jack, Silver Chief to the Rescue  
 Robinson, W. W., Criminals in the Sun  
 Rhead, Louis, Robin Hood  
 Rounds, Glen, The Blind Colt  
 Sanderson, J. T., Animal Treasure  
 Sawyer, Ruth, Tono Antonio  
 Stong, Phil, Young Settle  
 Skidmore, Hubert, River Rising  
 Streatfeild, Noel, Ballet Shoes  
 Streatfeild, Noel, Circus Shoes  
 Streatfeild, Noel, Stranger in Primrose Lane  
 Tietjena, Eunice, Boy of the Desert  
 Van Stockum, Hilda, Cottage at Banta Bay  
 Waldeck, B., Little Lost Monkey  
 Walden, L. D., On The Banks of Plum Creek  
 Wilder, L. J., Little House in the Big Woods  
 Bemelmans, L., Hansi  
 Burgess, Thornton, Mother West Wind Where Stories

Periodicals Supplied to the Reading Table:

American, American Girl, American Home Atlantic, Better Homes  
 and Gardens, Farm Journal and Farmer's wife, Good Housekeeping,  
 Harper's Magazine, Hobbies, Holiday, Jack and Jill, Ladies Home  
 Journal, Living Tissue, McCalls, National Geographic, Pathfinder,  
 Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Recruiting News, Time and  
 Troubadour.

## REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

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During the year 1947 the Newington Volunteer Fire Department answered the following calls and feel that we have accomplished considerable.

Jan. 1, Buildings at Justin Rand's .

Feb. 4, Called at Portsmouth for roadside stand fire on Lafayette Road.

Feb. 20. Grass fire on Ripley and deRochemont property.

Mar. 19. Grass fire on Old Dover Road property of James Nuckols.

Mar. 22. Grass fire on Ira Coleman property.

Mar. 22. Grass fire on Durgin lane in Portsmouth.

Apr. 22. Called to Dover Point for house fire at Cote farm

May 12. Called to Dover for woods fire on Legee's Farm, Back River road. Called directly from this fire to another woods fire off 6th street in Dover.

May 13. Dedication of New Fire Station, Newington.

May 14. Called to dwelling fire on Loomis' Farm.

June 10. Called to M. S. Watson Farm for truck fire.

June 21. Called to Walter Pickering's for woods fire.

Aug. 2. Called to Norman Beane's for fire in kitchen.

Aug. 23. Called for Cabin fire at William Mott's, Fox Point.

Sept. 6. Called to Greenland for Dump fire.

Sept. 28. Automobile fire on Route 16.

Oct. 6. Grass fire on Old Dover road.

Oct. 6. Called to Eliot, Me., for farm fire.

Oct. 18. Called to York, Me., for woods fire.

Oct. 18, Woods fire on Gos'ing road.

Oct. 19. Woods fire on Gosling road.

Oct. 21. Called too Kennebunkport, Me., for forest fire.

Oct. 22. Called directly from Kennebunkport to Waterboro, Me., for forest fire.

Oct. 22. Called for woods fire on Ham road

Oct. 23. Called to Greenland for building fire in a. m., at 2:30 p. m. called to Dover for woods fire on William Penn Tuttle Farm. Called directly from Dover Point to Rochester for forest fire.

Oct. 24. Called for woods fire on New Road at 1:30 A. M. The equipment that went to Rochester on October 23 returned at 6:30 P. M., then left at once in answer to call for forest fire at Alfred, Me.

Oct. 25. At Alfred, Me.

Oct. 26. Returned from Alfred, Me., at 10:00 A. M.

Oct. 29. Called for woods fire in rear of Coffey Farm on Goslin road.

Nov. 6. Called to Greenland for Dump Fire.

Nov. 22. Called to Dover Point for house fire.

Chief Holden was in complete charge of the Rochester fire on October 25-26-27 and 28th, during the collapse of Rochester's Chief Seavey. He is to be presented with a bronze plaque, by the people of Rochester in recognition of his excellent service to the City of Rochester, N. H.

On May 13th, our new Fire Station was dedicated and we are very proud of our station and equipment, which consists of two tank trucks carrying a total of 1400 gallons of water plus hundreds of feet of hose, nozzles, knapsack tanks, extinguishers, forest fire tools, coats, hats, boots, lights, first aid kits, and all other necessities. We also have two 500 gal. per minute trailer pumpers well equipped. We also have portable Handy Billy Pumps, lighting units and foam equipment.

Chief Holden and I would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to all the men of the Department for their excellent work and cooperation which they have so willingly given during the year 1947. We also want

to thank the people of Newington for their donation and other contributions which have helped to make our Fire Station possible, as it is considered one of the finest in the State and a number of the surrounding towns have used our plans for new stations.

We want to thank the town citizens for their fire assistance in rendering night patrol duty during the critical fire period of last October.

The entire Department wishes to thank the Townspeople and also those from neighboring Towns who supplied the fire station with food during the week of the disastrous forest fires, when the Station was manned 24 hours a day.

Articles have been published in National Safety News and in the March 1948 issue of Reader's Digest. Chief Holden has received letters of inquiry from as far away as Carpenter, Wyoming and Everson, Washington. Many towns and cities have copied our methods of carrying our water to the fires. After the forest fires of last October we received letters of thanks from the Governor of Maine, the County Commissioners of Strafford County, Selectmen of Kennebunk, Me., and Waterboro Me., John Hall of Alfred, Me., Deputy Sheriff of York County, City of Rochester, N. H., and many others.

We sincerely hope that we will have no fires in 1948 but in the event we do, the Department will do its very best.

Respectfully,

GRANVILLE S. KNOX

Ass't. Chief, Newington Fire Dept.

## FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

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The year 1947 was a severe test for the Newington Fire department.

October, 1947 will long be remembered for its drought and forest fires. Although several fires threatened to destroy our woodland and buildings the quick action of the Fire Department and the whole hearted support of our townspeople suppressed many fires before any great loss was incurred.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Veterans Association of Newington for patrolling the highways during the critical period.

Respectfully submitted,

WILFRED E. BROOKS,

Forest Fire Warden

# SCHOOL REPORT

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## SCHOOL BUDGET

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Teachers' Salaries	\$5,685.00
Substitutes	90.00
Text Books	350.00
Scholars' Supplies	250.00
Flag	5.00
Other expense of Instruction	50.00
Janitor	600.00
Fuel	600.00
Water, Light, Janitor Supplies	200.00
Minor Current Repairs and Expenses	500.00
Cleaning	200.00
Health Supervision	225.00
Transportation	1,080.00
Teachers Pension	110.15
Sup't. Retirement	9.60
Other Sepcial Activities	62.00
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	\$10,016.75
Expense of Administration	230.00
Salaries of District Officers	63.00
Truant Officer and Census	15.00
High School Tution	2,835.00
Sup't. Excess Salary	166.65
Per Capita Tax	204.00
New Equipment	50.00
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	\$3,563.65
Total Budget	\$13,580.40

Less State Aid	\$3,649.39	
Less Dog Tax	235.48	
Less Tuition	50.00	
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By Town Taxation		\$9,645.53
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		3,934.87

JANET B. DUNWOODY, Chr.  
EVELYN B. LUNDGREN  
EMMA H. LOOMIS

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR 1947-48

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In March 1947, a school Committee of three new members took office. They found themselves faced with many urgent problems.

The town's policy of too great economy had resulted in neglect and almost decay of the schools interior. Previous school boards who tried to help had their budgets cut. The present committee, from March to July, had no penny for repairs after meeting legal requirements, the cost of which was inflated like other costs. The budget beginning July 1st had been cut so that it allowed only \$100.00 for any repairs or cleaning.

These conditions were found in the school: the water supply frequently failed for uncertain reasons. This had gone on for some time. The teachers expected the water to give out around noon. Often the toilets did not flush once for four days when the school had no water and the unflushed accumulation overflowed. The drinking water at the bubblers also lost pressure, whereupon the children either put their mouths over the metal top, spreading germs better than by the old oaken bucket, or went without a drink. Upon orders from the State Board of Health the Selectmen renewed part of the pipe running from the Town Hall to the School.

The second major trouble was, and is, the heating problem. The basement rooms are almost useless in cold weather while upstairs the heat rises violently to the ceiling, leaving the small children in colder area. It may be 80 in one room at a 6 foot level while other rooms suffer from a cold draft. Much fuel seems to be wasted. The school board asked the advice of the director of the engineering experiment station of the U. of N. H., who said "The heating

system appears to have been so fundamentally wrong from the outset that it has defied any attempts to improve it materially." Representatives from three different heating firms were unanimous in saying that it could not be improved by any small change. One man called it an upside down system. It runs at present partly by gravity and partly by blowing, but the ducts are too large to use a proper blowing system and the gravity will not work when the furnace is at the same level as the room to be heated. The medical officer of the school has written to the school board strongly condemning the unhealthy condition. Accordingly the school board is inserting in the town warrant an article for a new heating system. With full consciousness that this is not a cheap time to install, it is felt that the situation should be presented for the town's decision.

In the school, plaster fallen from the stairway walls, panels of a door kicked out, walls defaced by scribbling, desk tops deeply scratched, and the begrimed floors, such things give a neglected air to the school and help keep the morale low.

The committee could not afford these repairs in the spring, but decided that, tho penniless, they might begin a little planting around the naked looking school house, which still suffered from the war time sand bags. Generous people of Newington gave help. Mrs. Virginia deRochemont and Mr. Leavitt Moulton made a simple plan. Mr. Percy deRochemont gave loam, Mr. Archie DeRochemont lent a truck, Miss Pickering and Mr. Schurman gave privet, Mr. Kennard five dollars and Mrs. Loomis gave spruce trees. Mr. Moulton set out the plants. In the playground Mr. Lundgren set up a basket-ball stop, and repaired swings.

In June the school chairman was notified by the state that because of rising costs and legal requirements, State help to schools had been increased, in our case by about

\$2,000. This money was to be used for any needs of the school except capital expenditures, but a somewhat ambiguous clause said that if the schools did not need the money it might be returned to the town to reduce taxes. The State Board of Education instructed the school committee to ignore the budget of March and submit new figures first to the budget committee before holding the school district meeting called especially for this purpose. This was done, but the Budget Committee cut the total State aid by about \$574.00. The school district meeting was overwhelmingly in favor of accepting the whole state aid, but — Out of the wringer finally came the sum reduced by about \$400.00.

Therefore, when summer time came there was no money available for painting anywhere, for fixing the plaster, for cleaning the floors really clean, and there seemed to be none for the inside work on the water supply. So two members of the school board did hard physical work. Mrs. Dunwoody and her daughter and Mr. Lundgren, helped by A. Hawkrige, painted the walls of the girl's and boy's toilets completely, with their own paint. Mrs. Lundgren varnished the desks, (which had been sand-papered), superintended and worked herself along with members of the Parent Teachers Association, and especially helped on heavy work by Paul and Margaret Martel, cleaning the floors.

By means of this voluntary help, because of the fact that one high school pupil dropped out, and by the sale of discarded chairs to another school, the board was able too include payment for the inside work on the water supply, and hopes to end the year without a deficit. But it does not seem proper nor a durable habit to expect the school board to do scrubbing and painting.

The board looked into the matter of bus transportation and advertised for bids. When no bids were made nego-

tiations were opened with all available sources. The best offer was from Mrs. Marjorie Payn, who included on her route the Bay Road and Peverly Brook Road, hitherto not served.

The school board has been so occupied, with the needs of the building that there has been little time for the gentler considerations. But if the heating can be fixed, the school building will have been brought up to nearly normal, and with a little more effort, we hope to keep it a school more worthy of Newington, and one which will be well fitted to give a happy and wholesome background to study.

The school board is very grateful to the teachers for their patience and eagerness to better the school, and to the Parent Teachers Association for their timely aid, to the Superintendent, Mr. Gillmore, for his detailed knowledge of the complicated requirements, and the generous people of Newington for their help, to Mrs. Virginia deRochemont and Mr. Moulton for the time spent on the garden, and to Mr. Loomis and Mr. Dunwoody for the gift of 1½" pipe to the Town for the School.

Respectfully submitted,

JANET B. DUNWOODY,  
EVELYN B. LUNDGREN  
EMMA H. LOOMIS

## FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1946  
and Ending June 30, 1947

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### RECEIPTS

State Aid	\$1,724.51
From Local Taxation	8,755.70
From Dog Tax	230.29
From Tuition	50.00
Borrowed	198.00
Other Receipts	11.01
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Total Receipts	\$10,969.51
Cash on hand, July 1, 1946	.34
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Grand Total	\$10,969.85

### PAYMENTS

Salaries of District Officers	\$59.00
Superintendent Excess Salary	156.25
Truant Officer and Census	15.00
Expense of Administration	146.19
Teachers Salaries	4,605.00
Text Books	172.42
Scholars Supplies	172.99
Other Expenses of Instruction	15.81
Janitor Service	592.35
Fuel	480.57
Water, Light and Janitor Supplies	70.61
Minor Repairs and Expense	354.47
Medical Inspection	153.00
Transportation	825.00
High School Tuition	2,336.40
Tax for State wide Supervision	234.00
Insurance	333.75

Other Fixed Charges	65.60
New Equipment	15.00
Payment Bills for Previous Year	160.96
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Total Payments	\$10,964.37
Cash on hand, June 30, 1947	5.48
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Grand Total	\$10,969.85

JANET B. DUNWOODY, Chr.  
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EMMA H. LOOMIS

### **SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT**

July 1, 1946 to July 1, 1947

July 1, 1946 Cash on Hand	.34	
Town Treas. Appr. Current year	8,177.30	
Bal. 1944 Appro.	578.40	
Dog Tax 1945	230.29	
State Aid	1,724.51	
John Newick Tuition	50.00	
Refund checks	11.01	
Note, N. H. National Bank	198.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,969.85
Less School Board's orders		\$10,964.37
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Cash on hand July 1, 1947		\$5.48

HATTIE M. GREENOUGH,  
Treasurer.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the School Treasurer of the Newington School District and find them correct in all respects.

JAMES H. COLEMAN,  
Auditor

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board of Newington:

I herewith present my report as superintendent of your schools. It is the eighteenth report.

The current school year began Wednesday, September 3, 1947, with a beginning enrollment of 62. Owing to an expected registration of but one pupil in grade eight, a re-assignment of teachers was made. Mrs. Moody now teaches grades six, seven and eight. Mrs. Hopkins teaches grades three, four and five. Miss Pickering teaches grades one and two as well as being Principal of the building. Since the present grades six and seven are large it is probable that this arrangement will not be best next year.

Considerable difficulty has been experienced this year with the water supply for the building.] However with the cooperation of all the officials concerned, conditions are much better at the present time. New drinking fountains which meet the standards of health boards have been installed. The building has been completely cleaned during the summer vacation and considerable painting done.

Heating the building remains a problem. It seemed that the only plan to follow would be to secure advice from an engineer after he had looked over the entire system. This has been done and his recommendations will be presented to the annual school district meeting in March. At that time the plans suggested will be available and preliminary figures will be secured.

Because of the new education bill passed by the legislature Newington's State Aid has increased by \$1,924.88. It will be noted from the Financial Report that our aid last year was \$1,724.51. The current year the state check a-

mounted to \$3,697.39. The amount is determined in two categories, equalization aid and general aid. Equalization takes into consideration the ability of the district to pay over and above the required amount. This gives Newington \$2,490.37. The general aid is based upon the number of pupils in average daily attendance. In Newington the amount received under this category was \$1,159.02. Since our average daily membership was 87, secondary and elementary, the per pupil aid was \$41.94. It is to be noted that state aid is now given for secondary as well as elementary pupils.

The purpose of the new bill is "to provide a better education for the children of New Hampshire" and to meet higher cost of equipment, as well as to assist the towns in paying teachers salaries which will help to meet the increased cost of living. School supplies especially paper and text books, have increased about forty percent already with a further increase for next year. It was felt by the legislature that in many cases, such necessary increases would be a burden to the towns. Therefore, the increased aid was authorized.

It is pleasing to report to you that Newington schools are good schools and are doing the work assigned to them. This is vouched for by the reports of work done in high school by our 1946 graduates. Ranks earned in High school by these pupils averaged 83.03 during their first year there. Our graduates of 1947 have averaged 82.08 percent so far for this year. These figures are those reported by the principal of the Portsmouth school. It is proof of the efficient work of our teachers.

The Federal lunch program is becoming an integral part of the public school program. Our children should have this service. The federal government does not now, as it has previously, make any payment toward equipment

but it does continue aid for food and cost of service. Aside from nutritional benefits to our children, the program furnishes many opportunities of education value. Frequently local organizations, interested in the welfare of the children, will underwrite the cost of equipment. Much government surplus food is distributed to the participating schools. It is possible to furnish a satisfying meal to each child at a cost of fifteen or twenty cents a day. The children feel better and work better as a result of this program. I bespeak your earnest consideration for such a plan in Newington.

In line with its plan of in-service training for the teachers, the State Board of Education has conducted a three day work shop for the teachers of this union. All elementary teachers of Union 21 met in Hampton, January 21, 22 and 23 for instruction in the most approved methods of teaching. The work was interesting and practical. The three general subjects considered were ; youth activities, health, music and art. The result of this work shop will be increased services to your children.

A school cannot stand still. It must advance. With the continued interest and help of the people led by a cooperative school board, Newington will advance. For your help as a board through the past and the current year I am grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY W. GILLMORE,

Superintendent of Schools.

January 20, 1948.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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The school examinations were conducted by Dr. Bailey, newly appointed school doctor of Newington. Grades I, II, III, VI, VII and VIII were examined. The remaining two grades were examined by the school nurse. Vision and hearing tests were given by the school nurse. This coming year, the audiometer will be used for hearing tests.

Visits are made to the school every other week. In cases of sickness, visits are made to the homes.

Contagious diseases during the school year — Scarlet Fever, 1.

In May, 1947, a pre-school clinic was held. Four children were examined and vaccinated by Dr. Bailey. This clinic enables the parents to correct the child's defects before entering school in September.

Number of school visits made        15

Number of home visits made        12

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY LINDSEY, R. N.

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## SCHOOL STATISTICS 1946-1947

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### ATTENDANCE

Teach — School	Grade	Av. Memb.	No. Tardy	% of Attend.
Margaret Pickering, Primary	1-3	26.04	76	92.58
Mary Hopkins, Interm	4-6	27.53	112	96.69
M. Gertrude Moody, Grammar	7-8	13.55	21	94.53
Louise Benoit, Music				
Totals		67.12	209	94.60

### PROMOTIONS, JUNE 1947

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Promoted	8	9	11	9	11	7	3	7	65
Not Promoted	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	3
Average Age	7-2	7-11	8-0	9-7	10-7	12-8	13-10	14-4	

# **ENROLLMENT FALL TERM, 1946**

Teacher	School	Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Tot.
Margaret Pickering, Primary	7	6									13
Mary Hopkins, Interm				10	12	7					29
M. Gertrude Moody, Gram.								10	9	1	20
Esther B. Coombs, Music											
Totals			7	6	10	12	7	10	9	1	62

## **SCHOOL CENSUS, SEPTEMBER 1947**

Number of chil. between 5-16 years in public schools in dis.	60
Pupils attending High School outside of district 5-16 years	14
Pupils attending Elementary School outside of dis. 5-16 years	2
Number of children attending Elem. School who live in other towns	1
Number of children not attending any school	6
Total number of children 5-16 in the district	81

## **SUMMARY 1946 - 1947**

Value of site and buildings	\$20,000
Value of equipment	1,500.00
Average salary of teachers	1,500.00
Visits by Superintendent	54
Visits by other citizens	128
Visits by school board members	29
Total number of school days	172

## **PUPILS ATTENDING PORTSMOUTH JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

George Olson	Gordon Brooks
Vera Slipp	George Fogg
Carl Hoyt	Mildred Rooney

## **PUPILS ATTENDING PORTSMOUTH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Ellen Heavner	Charles Klesaris
Daniel Mahoney	Alice Mahoney
James Mahoney	Elizabeth Packard
Beverly Brooks	Virginia Brooks
Theodore Blood	Anne Gardner
Doris Brooks	Philip Johnson
Irene Heavner	Mary Packard
Loraine Heavner	David Richardson
Edith Hogdon	Anne Robinson

This is the September enrollment as sent by the Portsmouth Schools.

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# Vital Statistics

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BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date 1947	Name of Child	Sex	Liv. or Still.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 1	Paul Stanley	M	L	Stanley Drinkwater	Edith Beals	Cambridge, Mass.	Belmont, Mass.
Jan. 20	Baby Boy	M	S	Dennis Blain	Geraldine Souriolle	Hollis, N. H.	Manchester, N. H.
Feb. 13	Billy Joe	M	L	James Hartsfield	Josephine Coffey	Illmo, Missouri	Nybbt., Mass.
Feb. 15	Dorothy Jeanne	F	L	Granville Knox	Edith Ebert	Newington, N. H.	Salem, N. H.
Feb. 21	Rosalie Ann	F	L	Kenneth Brooks	Florence Boston	Dover, N. H.	Kittery, Me.
Mar. 11	Robert Erving	M	L	Fred Garland	Dorothy Rokes	Portsmouth, N. H.	N. Andover, Mass.
May 22	Marie Ann	F	L	Angus Hunkins	Emma Fieldsend	Portsmouth, N. H.	Brentwood, N. H.
July 4	Helen Hiller	F	L	Harold Frink	Lydia Hiller	Newington, N. H.	Flushing, N. Y.
July 11	Martha Ann	F	L	William Thomas	Evelyn Gile	Manchester, N. H.	Candia, N. H.
July 31	Starlit Dawn	F	L	Samuel Weaver	Dora Place	Sandwich, Mass.	Portsmouth, N. H.
Aug. 8	Kenneth Wayne	M	L	Millard Gentner	Frances Morton	Nobleboro, Me.	Bangor, Me.
Aug. 14	Susan Frances	F	L	David Acox	Francoise C'rchene	Exeter, N. H.	Leominster, Mass.
Sept. 12	Philip Neil	M	L	Francis Lester	Janette Walsh	Portsmouth, N. H.	Rye, N. H.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1947

Date 1947	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Years	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Names, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Feb. 15	William F. Mott Marjorie Sweet	53 51	St. John, N. B. Worcester, Mass.	Thomas P. Mott Helen M. Riley Charles S. Forbes Alice F. Coffin	Floyd G. Kinsley Clergyman Hampton, N. H.
Nov. 28	John J. Coffey Gertrude E. Weeks	24 18	Newburyport, Mass. Portsmouth, N. H.	Cornelius E. Coffey Rose M. Plouff Arthur A. Weeks C. Marion Wallace	Landi Eitzen Clergyman Greenland, N. H.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date 1947	Name and Surname of Deceased	Place of Birth	Age in Yrs.	Months	Days	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 12	Elmer E. Yeaton	Newington, N. H.	80	5	15	M	Barnabas Yeaton	Eliz. Downing
Jan. 20	Edmond Blain	Portsm'th, N. H.	Stillborn				Dennis Blain	G'r'd'ne Souriolle
Mar. 6	Bonnie Lee Brooks	Portsm'th, N. H.					Kenneth Brooks	Florence Boston
May 9	Randolph N. Beane	Newington, N. H.	41	11	27	M	Louis C. Beane	Abbie Rollins
July 16	Gertrude N. Kennard	Otisfield, Me.	58	11	16	F	Charles C. Noble	Mildred Edwards
Sept. 15	Lewis A. Newcomb	Nova Scotia	67			M	Unknown	Unknown
Sept. 20	Edith G. Hoyt	Hiram, Me.	82	7	18	F	Albion Googins	Ruth H. Bensley
Sept. 30	Thomas Morrissey	Tipterary, Ireland	80	11	7	M	James Morrissey	Isadore Haskell
Oct. 27	Marion C. Whidden	Lewiston, Me.	86	2	4	F	Benjamin Marden	Mary C. Coleman
Nov. 16	Mildred E. Comoa	Newington, N. H.	52	5	13	F	Charles Dame	Nora Quinlan



